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SUBJECT:PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY MESSAGE TO USMC

1. THE FOLLOWING WAS RECEIVED FROM GERALD R. FORD,
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES:

"AS THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS MARKS 199 YEARS OF
FAITHFUL SERVICE TO AMERICA, ALL OF US JOIN IN TRIBUTE TO
ITS BRAVE AND DEDICATED MEMBERS. AS THE CORPS ENTERS ITS
BICENTENNIAL YEAR, IT FALLS ON YOU "FEW GOOD MEN AND
WOMEN" TO REDEDICATE YOURSELVES TO CONTINUING THE MARCH IN
THAT GRAND TRADITION THAT HAS ALWAYS MADE YOUR FELLOW
COUNTRYMENT PROUD TO ADDRESS YOU WITH THE TIME-HONORED
TITLE "MARINE."

AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF I EXTEND TO YOU MY BEST WISHES AND
THOSE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, AND I HOPE THAT YOUR EFFORTS
WILL CONTINUE TO BRING YOU AS MUCH SATISFACTION AS THEY
HAVE TO THE NATION YOU HAVE SERVED SO WELL."

2. ALMAR 072320NOVEMBER WAS TRANSMITTED BY THE MARINE
BATTALION TO ALL MARINE COMMANDS (REGIONAL MARINE OFFICERS)
WHO WERE TO RETRANSMIT TO MSG COMPLEMENTS IN THEIR AREAS.

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